

EARMARK DECLARATION

HON. KAY GRANGER

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, June 15, 2009

Ms. GRANGER. Madam Speaker, pursuant to the Republican Leadership standards on earmarks, I, KAY GRANGER, submit the following information regarding earmarks I received as part of the bill making appropriations for the Departments of Commerce and Justice, and Science, and Related Agencies for the fiscal year ending September 20, 2010, and for other purposes (H.R. 2847).

For the project titled "Child Abuse Training Programs for Judicial Personnel: Victims Act Model Court Project" in H.R. 2847, OJP-Byrne Discretionary Grants account, the legal name and address of the requesting entity is the National Council of Juvenile and Family Court Judges, 1041 North Virginia Street, Third Floor, Reno, Nevada 89503. The \$1,875,000 in the bill for this project will be used in planning and programming for work in Model Courts and in jurisdictions nationwide, including site-based and local, regional and national interdisciplinary training programs; Model Court site visits; Model Court cross-site visits; All-Sites Meetings; outreach to national State Court Improvement Programs; direct technical assistance to Model Courts and other jurisdictions nationwide; mentoring of non-Model Court jurisdictions; publications for national dissemination; research to evaluate Model Court work; and networking with national organizations. This project focuses on improving court practice in handling child abuse and neglect cases in jurisdictions across the country, and will have significant impact on the over 513,000 children in the nation's foster care systems. This juvenile justice prevention model has provided the ability to courts to not only improve their practice, but to provide long-term solutions to children and families. Through judicial education, strategic planning, evaluation and technical assistance (TA), this project has resulted in reducing the time in the system for children in foster care and the numbers of children in care in jurisdictions across the country, and has improved the quality of care children receive while under the court's jurisdiction. The National Council of Juvenile and Family Court Judges is supported by a number of funders both federal, state and private; and national and state-based that supports related work. Supplemental funding for this project has been applied for in the past, as NCJFCJ continually seeks a variety of funding sources for its projects.

For the project titled "Advanced Law Enforcement Rapid Response Training (ALERRT)" in H.R. 2847, OJP-Byrne Discretionary Grants account, the legal name and address of the requesting entity is the Texas State University, 601 University Drive, San Marcos, Texas 78666. The \$1,300,000 in the bill for this project will enable Texas State University to build ALERRT's Train-The-Trainer capacity to meet the training needs of the more than 650,000 law enforcement agents across the nation. Since 2002, ALERRT has trained more than 16,000 first responding patrol officers. It is an ongoing project to ensure that law enforcement officers have the most up-to-date training available on how to effectively respond to, address, and stop an active

shooter. Funding will enable the program to be established as a national training system; to further build train-the-trainer capacity; to enhance retention of learned skill by former students; to provide valuable research and evaluation to improve first responder abilities; and to provide investigative training and support for evolving threats. Texas State will provide any required matching funds.

EARMARK DECLARATION

HON. JOHN BOOZMAN

OF ARKANSAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, June 15, 2009

Mr. BOOZMAN. Madam Speaker, pursuant to the House Republican standards on earmarks, I am submitting the following information regarding earmarks I received as part of H.R. 2487—the Commerce, Justice, Science, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2010.

Requesting Member: Congressman JOHN BOOZMAN

Bill Number: H.R. 2487

Account: DOJ, OJP-Byrne

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: Criminal Justice Institute (CJI) at the University of Arkansas, 7723 Colonel Glen Road, Little Rock, AR 72204

Address of Requesting Entity: see above

Description of Request: The funding of \$600,000 for the Arkansas School Resource Officer Program will be used to create a uniform School Resource Officer Program for Arkansas, which currently has no uniform standards, training guidelines or certification requirements for School Resource Officers. The funds will provide education and training for SRO's and school officials and provide safe school on-site assessments of Arkansas schools.

Requesting Member: Congressman JOHN BOOZMAN

Bill Number: H.R. 2487

Account: DOJ, COPS-Meth

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: Criminal Justice Institute (CJI) at the University of Arkansas, 7723 Colonel Glen Road, Little Rock, AR 72204

Address of Requesting Entity: see above

Description of Request: The funding of \$575,000 for the Arkansas Methamphetamine Education and Training Project will be used to provide the Arkansas law enforcement community with methamphetamine-focused courses that emphasize officer awareness and safety, effective management and investigation of methamphetamine-related cases, and the identification and rescue of Arkansas's methamphetamine-affected children.

EARMARK DECLARATION

HON. LOUIE GOHMERT

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, June 15, 2009

Mr. GOHMERT. Madam Speaker, pursuant to the Republican Leadership standards on earmarks, I am submitting the following information regarding earmarks I received as part of H.R. 2847, the Commerce, Justice, Science, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act of 2010.

Science, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act of 2010.

Texas Cyber Security Research and Training Institute Project. Department of Justice, OJP-Byrne. The University of Texas at Tyler, 3900 University Boulevard, Tyler, Texas 75799, \$529,000 to conduct research in conjunction with Mississippi State University on petroleum industry computer security and train law enforcement personnel in computer forensics. As cyber technology has progressed and gained importance internationally, the risk of security breaches and cyber related crime has dramatically increased, putting our nation at extreme risk to neutralization of our ability to produce and utilize energy. This project provides for instruction and training to provide a line of defense against these increased technological risks.

EARMARK DECLARATION

HON. RODNEY ALEXANDER

OF LOUISIANA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, June 15, 2009

Mr. ALEXANDER. Madam Speaker, pursuant to the Republican Leadership standards on earmarks, I am submitting the following information regarding earmarks I received as part of the Commerce, Justice Science, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2010, H.R. 2847.

Congressman RODNEY ALEXANDER

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Department of Commerce—NOAA ORF

Louisiana State University located at 156 Thomas Boyd Hall, Baton Rouge, LA 70803.

The Louisiana Geodetic Spatial Reference Center; \$700,000. The goal of this project is to establish a Coastal Risk Management Institute to build the practices associated with living in coastal environments in the US and around the world through new partnerships in science, art and architecture and policy with engineering that reduces coastal hazards and enhances societal resiliency. This goal of the Institute is made possible by the alignment of coastal resiliency, infrastructure development and emergency management. Coastal resiliency is providing communities with accurate guidance of risks and ways that regional planning through housing development, landscape architecture, transportation systems and policy can be integrated to building smarter neighborhoods in the future to cope with increasing challenges of coastal landscapes. Infrastructure development includes designing both built and natural assets of coastal regions that must be integrated to provide protection, restoration, and economic development in ways that provide for more sustainable development. Emergency management includes forecasting, preparing, responding and mitigating the disaster events that occur in coastal regions. You can see how all three features of the proposed Coastal Risks Management Institute that is integrated to focus on reducing the risk of living and doing business in our critically important coastal margins is of national interests. The institute will consist of the following: LSU Coastal Sustainability Studio—A think tank that will harness earth, ecological and environmental systems research with engineering and landscape architecture to develop new concepts, knowledge, skills and

problem solving approaches to be implemented in coastal regions around the world. LSU Hurricane Center—The Center will be leveraged with existing localized efforts in coastal hazards modeling and observation systems to provide the knowledge needed for a more integrated approach in coupling earth surface dynamics with storm surge modeling; work on toolkits to provide operational services and information during coastal hazard events; work with disaster management to improve community resilience and serve emergency managers in operational mode. LSU Coastal Systems Engineering Laboratory—CSE Laboratory is an integrated joint enterprise amount science, engineering and high-performance computing communities of the region that has implications for increased capability of forecasting dynamic earth systems using new investments in sensors, observations, modeling and cyber infrastructure. The CSE Laboratory will pioneer the development of an integrated modeling system to support the needs of coastal system science and engineering.

Congressman RODNEY ALEXANDER

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Department of Commerce—NOAA ORF Southern Regional Climate Center, 260 Howe-Russell Building, Baton Rouge, LA 70803.

NOAA Regional Climate Center program; \$850,000. The funding will be used to continue and enhance the vital climate data services performed by the NOAA Regional Climate Centers (RCC). The RCC program was authorized by the 1978 National Climate Program Act. The RCCs are administered by the National Environmental Satellite, Data, and Information Service (NESDIS) and the National Climatic Data Center (NCDC). The program has been in existence since the mid-1980's and has been funded by Congress every year since its inception. There are six regional centers located in New York, Illinois, Louisiana, Nebraska, Nevada and North Carolina. The six RCCs are an integral part of the NCDC's three tier national climate services support program, which includes the NCDC, the RCCs and state climatologists. The RCCs are the only entities in the country—public or private—that provide this type of climate data, analysis and information services. The Federal government, as well as State and local agencies, rely on the climate services the RCCs provide and have no other resource for this information. The funding is for ongoing program expenses, which include salaries/benefits, equipment, supplies, travel expenses, journal page charges, stakeholder workshops, and indirect costs.

Congressman RODNEY ALEXANDER

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Department of Justice—COPS Tech Louisiana Sheriff's Association, 1175 Nicholson Drive, Baton Rouge, LA 70802.

Law Enforcement Technology and Equipment; \$300,000. This funding request is for equipment for a new project and is a onetime expense. This funding is for the proposed LSA Institute, which will serve as an education and training center for local and state law enforcement officers. This funding will serve dual purposes in providing critical technology such as video, audio and communication equipment used for training / education purposes and real life emergency responses. In addition, the LSA Institute will also serve as a hub for the Louisiana Sheriffs' Emergency Task Force, a task

force comprised of deputies across the state who respond to emergency events when needed. The LSA Institute will be housed at 1175 Nicholson Drive, Baton Rouge, LA 70802. The LSA is uniquely positioned to perform this function as it is governed by the Sheriffs, and it is the Sheriffs who have the greatest Constitutional responsibility for law enforcement and public safety at the local level, and who have the manpower necessary to cover such functions. Additionally, the long history of cooperation and coordination among LSA, the Chiefs of Police, and other local first responder agencies, as well as the state, make this project a logical next step toward providing this training (i.e. emergency response, FEMA/DHS rules and regulations, etc.) and securing the resources necessary to respond to the next catastrophic event in a timely, well organized manner.

Congressman RODNEY ALEXANDER

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Department of Justice—COPS Meth City of Bastrop, LA, 202 East Jefferson, Bastrop, LA 71221.

Bastrop-Morehouse Parish Meth Initiative; \$650,000. The City of Bastrop is seeking funds to expand efforts to combat methamphetamine production and trafficking and to enhance policing initiatives in "drug hot spots"

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HON. C. W. BILL YOUNG

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, June 15, 2009

Mr. YOUNG of Florida. Madam Speaker, pursuant to the House Republican Standards on Congressional appropriations initiatives, I am submitting the following information regarding projects that were included at my request in H.R. 2487, the Fiscal Year 2010 Commerce, Justice, Science, and Related Agencies Appropriations Bill.

FLORIDA SILVER ALERT PROGRAM

Account: Department of Justice, Office of Justice Programs, Byrne Discretionary Grants Legal name and address of requesting entity: Florida Department of Law Enforcement, 2331 Phillips Road

Description of request: \$100,000 is included in the bill for the Florida Department of Law Enforcement for the Florida Silver Alert Program, which is a standardized and coordinated law enforcement and state agency response to share information with the public to improve the chances of a safe recovery of a missing elderly person suffering from dementia. The Silver Alert program is designed to quickly disseminate descriptive information about a missing person who suffers from dementia, so that citizens can be on the lookout for the endangered elderly person and notify local law enforcement with any relevant information. The program is a cooperative effort among Florida local and state law enforcement agencies, Department of Transportation, Department of Elder Affairs and the media. In partnership with these agencies, the Florida Department of Law Enforcement is requesting funding to improve the current system and to facilitate public awareness/education, and outreach. In October 2008 the Silver Alert Program became operational in Florida, administered by the Florida Department of Law Enforcement, Miss-

ing Endangered Person Information Clearinghouse hereinafter referred to as the "Clearinghouse". In the first six months, Silver Alerts have been activated 58 times resulting in the direct recovery of 10 elderly persons with dementia. As this is a relatively new program, not all local law enforcement agencies are aware of the program or the criteria to activate a Silver Alert. It is recommended that printed, laminated guides be distributed to patrol officers. These guides would include the criteria and resources available to law enforcement when an elderly person with dementia is reported missing. This is the first federal funding requested for this project.

NATIONAL CLEARING HOUSE FOR SCIENCE, TECHNOLOGY, AND THE LAW AT STETSON UNIVERSITY COLLEGE OF LAW

Account: Department of Justice, Office of Justice Programs, Byrne Discretionary Grants Legal name and address of requesting entity: Stetson University College of Law, 1401 61st Street South, Gulfport, FL 33707

Description of request: \$400,000 is included in the bill for the National Clearing House for Science, Technology, and the Law at Stetson University College of Law to build and maintain the world's only searchable comprehensive bibliography on law, science, and technology. This database contains court decisions and commentary, scholarly publications, commercial applications, professional associations and institutions, and other resources about traditional and new forensic topics, such as Identity Theft, Intra and Interstate Tracking of Sexual Predators, Canine Sniff Detection, and Less Lethal Technologies. It contains 18 resource categories for each of 33 topics in science and technology. At present, it contains more than 65,000 records, and more than 1,500 entries a month are added. Visitors from more than 110 countries have visited the site. In addition, comprehensive Cold Case and Identifying the Missing resources have recently been added to the site. No other such national resource exists. The online database also includes a quarterly newsletter which focuses on the latest topics such as Methamphetamine, Shaken Baby Syndrome, Cyber Forensics, Post-Conviction DNA Testing, Bio-terror and the Physician, and Virtual Autopsies. Funding will also enable Stetson to continue building an important reference collection of law, science, and technology material to meet the needs of law enforcement personnel, legal professionals, crime lab personnel, national security professionals, medical examiners, and public health professionals. These professions face challenges due to a lack of access to information regarding new areas of science and technology. The Clearinghouse reference collection allows access via inter-library loan to physical materials not readily available at local libraries. Important forensic science collections are being donated to the clearinghouse on a regular basis for use by these professionals. Stetson will use this funding for two new initiatives. The first is the development of training modules and primers to be made available through distance education technology. These cross-disciplinary modules will focus on training scientists in the complex workings of the legal system. They also provide lawyers with much needed education in various scientific and technological disciplines. Law 101 will focus on testimony skills for expert witnesses, scientists and law enforcement personnel. The primers, written by lawyers, scientists, and educators, will cover the basic